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# Georgia Southern University Athletics



Information on Fall Fan Events Released

Several events on tap this preseason

Football

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**STATESBORO** - The Georgia Southern Athletics Marketing Department has released dates and further information on a series of fall fan events scheduled over the next month.

"Coming off a successful season in 2018, excitement is at a really high pitch right now for our football program," said [Dan Adams](#), assistant AD for marketing and fan engagement. "We're hoping all of Eagle Nation will come out to as many of these events as we begin to get ready for the home opener against Maine. Coach Lunsford and his staff have really embraced these events and we're looking to make these events memorable ones for everyone who attends."

## Women's Football Clinic

The Georgia Southern Women's Football Clinic presented by International Diamond Center will be held this Friday, July 26 at Paulson Stadium, Bishop Field House and the Ted Smith Family Football Center. Registration was re-opened through today – ladies still have a few hours to sign up at [GSEagles.com/WFBC](#). Ladies of Eagle Nation will enjoy food and beverages, a coaches Q&A session, Football 101, an official clinic T-shirt, exclusive ornament from the Southern Exchange Company and much more!

## Little Eagles Football Clinic

Head football coach [Chad Lunsford](#) and his staff will be hosting a free Little Eagles Football Clinic presented by Optim Healthcare, a collaboration between Optim Orthopedics and the physician-owned Optim Medical Center-Tattnall, on Aug. 10. The one-hour clinic will include fun drills for kids ages 6-12 capped off with a pep talk and team photo at the end. While the event is free, parents are strongly encouraged to register their kids online at [GSEagles.com/LittleEagles](#). Check-in will begin at 10:15 a.m. at Gate 9 in front of Bishop Field House and the clinic will start at 11 a.m. Kids in attendance will receive a goodie bag from Optim Healthcare plus a t-shirt courtesy of the Southern Exchange Company and Georgia Southern Athletics.

## President's Kickoff

A new tradition is beginning this fall with a new event titled the President's Kickoff presented by Sports Clips! The President's Kickoff has combined the annual fan fest with the former Day One event. Beginning at 9:30 a.m. that morning, fans, students and guests of the university will enjoy a football scrimmage, autographs from our fall sports teams, hear from President Marrero and head football coach [Chad Lunsford](#), and celebrate our traditions, history, and chants as we begin a new academic and athletic year at Georgia Southern University. More information on the President's Kickoff will be released next week.

Following the Fan Fest, the Athletic Foundation will hold its Statesboro Coaches Caravan. Details on that event [can be found here](#).

## Savannah Fan Fest

This year's fan fest in Savannah will be held at Memorial Stadium. Most recently known as a state-of-the-art renovation project costing \$12.75 million, the stadium has been open with its new look for almost a year and houses 5,000 spectators. Notably, the original Memorial Stadium was built in 1957 and the

Georgia Southern football team played its first official game there on Sept. 1, 1984 as the Eagles downed Florida A&M 14-0 behind a big day from [Tracy Ham](#).

The Fan Fest will consist of a light football practice, inflatables for the kids and an autograph session. It will also be a great time for students on the GS Armstrong Campus to learn our football game day chants and traditions. Before the practice, the Georgia Southern volleyball team will be offering a free clinic for kids ages 12 and under on the field.

The Athletics Ticket Office will be on-site for those who want to purchase football season tickets, single-game tickets, group tickets, away game tickets and parking. Volleyball, men's and women's soccer and men's and women's basketball season tickets will also be available for purchase. **Please Note: Football season ticket packets and Eagle Fund membership benefits will not be available for pick up at the Savannah Fan Fest.**

Gates will open at 5 p.m. and the light practice will start at 6 p.m. followed by the autograph session. Memorial Stadium is located at 101 John J. Scott Drive in Savannah. Parking is free for the event and fans are encouraged to park on the west side of the stadium.

#### **GATA Lifestyle Experience**

Once again, fans will have a unique opportunity to go behind the scenes of the opening days of camp at the GATA Lifestyle Experience, which will be held Aug. 1-3. Meet the Georgia Southern Football coaches, tour the facilities, view highlight reels, learn about the rules of recruiting in the NCAA, take a ride on the iconic yellow school buses to watch practice next to Beautiful Eagle Creek, hear about the upcoming season's expectations and goals, take part in a GATA Lifestyle photo shoot, sit in on team meetings, enjoy cookout with the team and socials with the coaches. Those interested [can sign up here](#).

The entire preseason practice schedule with times and locations will be announced next week. The Eagles will have their first practice on Friday, Aug. 2 at 8:30 a.m. at Beautiful Eagle Creek.

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